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JOHN THURBURN,
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2.—**POLO SCOUR.**—Prize presented.—For all hand side Polo ponies. Catch weights over list, 7 lbs. Second to save Stake. Entrance, \$2. A Quarter-mile.

3.—**ONE MILE HANDICAP.**—A forced entry for all China Ponies entered at this Sky Meeting. Entries left in after 17 h. on April 18 extra. Entrance fees with \$10 added to go to the Winner. Second to receive \$20. Third to save Stake.

4.—**THREE QUARTER-MILE RACE.**—Prizes presented; Second to receive \$10. Third to save Stake. For Subscription Gratuities of any year. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners and placed Ponies, any Race Meeting in Hongkong or China (Off Days not to count) 6 lbs. and 3 lbs. extra respectively. Hand side Polo Ponies accumulated.

5.—**STEPELUCHAR.**—Prizes presented; Second to receive \$10. Third to save Stake. For all China Ponies, weight for inclusion as per scale. Ponies other than Subscriptions—gratuity, and bona fide Polo Ponies and Hacks, to carry 12 lbs. Previous winners and placed ponies in a Stepeluchar 10 lbs. and 5 lbs. respectively. Entrance \$3. From the Black Rock One Round and a half.

6.—**FIVE FORTNIGHTS RACE.**—Prize presented; Second to receive \$10. Third to save Stake. For all China Ponies, weight for inclusion as per scale. Previous winners and placed ponies at this Sky Meeting 7 lbs. and 5 lbs. extra respectively. Hacks and hand side Polo Ponies allowed 7 lbs. Entrance \$3.

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ENTRIES CLOSE TO

HART BUCK,
Hon. Secretary,
Sky Meeting & Gymkhana Committee,
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Hongkong, March 29, 1895.

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March 28.—

Yunnan, British steamer, 1,100 W.
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Destinat.	Vessel.	Agents.	Date & Leav.
Bremen & Ports Gal.	Bayern (4).	Norddeutscher Lloyd	April 3, at 3 p.m.
Japan.	Verona (3).	P. & O. & N. N. Co.	March 30, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal.	Cornwallshire (5).	Dowdell, Carlil & Co.	March 30, at noon.
London, v. Marselles.	Aden (4).	P. & O. & N. N. Co.	April 11, at noon.
London & Ports of Cal.	Paris (5).	P. & O. & N. N. Co.	About April 13.
Mars. le. v. Suez	Mania (4).	Messageries Maritime	April 3, at noon.
New York.	Sydney (5).	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
Sachsen.	Gaelic (4).	O. & O. S. S. O.	April 17, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Jap.	City of Peking (4).	Pacific Mail S. & C.	Quick despatch.
S. Francisco.	Queen Margaret.	Siemson & Co.	About April 1.
Shanghai.	Lyceum (5).	P. & O. & N. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai.	Rosetta (5).	Siemson & Co.	April 5, at noon.
Shanghai and Kohi.	Bombay (5).	Siemson, Sons & Co.	April 2, at noon.
Singapore & H'burg.	Ocean (5).	Douglas Larkins & Co.	March 31, daylight.
Singapore, Penang & C'pt.	Arauco (4).	Empress of China (5).	April 10, at noon.
Tianjin.	Nanchang (5).	Nor. P. & S. & R. Cos.	April 23, at noon.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles	Mr. D. Forbush

colony which are not supervised or in any way regulated by the Government we shall have a series of these disorders. (Applause.) I am not one of those who are prepared to censure the Government in any way. The Government's proposition is a reasonable one; and it is plainly meant for the benefit of the coolies themselves. They have attempted to enforce their wishes without troubling the Chinese right. They want to save their face. Now, gentlemen, we must go further. This strike which we are now undergoing is a matter of enormous interest to this Colony. Those who have legislated for us do not grasp the subject. I am perfectly certain these gentlemen—I am not speaking of the unofficial members of the Council—have not grasped the far-reaching concerns that are attacked by the legislation they impose upon the Colony. I do not say they are wrong. I think they are right from a philanthropic point of view to attempt to benefit these men who are huddled and crowded together in their dwellings in a most shameful fashion. It is a right thing to take this action, but it is worse off in its overreaching than it was 20 years ago. I do not want to weaken the hands of the Government, but I want to see how we are going to cope with the difficulty. We are in a crisis now which may shake this colony to its foundations unless it is met. There is only one way of meeting this combination, and that is by combination (applause). Are you prepared to combine against this Chinese combination or are you not? It must not be a half-hearted combination; it must be a combination that you will stick to to-day and throw over to-morrow if it does not suit you. It must permeate the whole colony. Unless you do that you had far better retire from the struggle. (Applause). These are my views, and I should like to hear the views of others as competent to give us good an opinion as I am. But I see that unless we can take steps to combat this evil—steps that shall be powerful enough to break once for all this series of strikes to which the colony has been subjected during the last ten or twenty years—there may as well give up our profession here. (Applause).

Mr. Gillies.—I have listened with very great interest to the remarks that have fallen from the Chairman and Mr. Mackintosh. There can be no question that this is a very serious ordeal that the colony is passing through at present, but whether the line of procedure that has just been given to us by Mr. Mackintosh is a proper one to follow or not is questionable. It is perhaps better that we should look a little further into the matter, and see whether or not we are able to arrive at some settlement with the Chinese. There is no doubt that labour has certain rights, and I do not think any effort has been made to come to some arrangement with the men who are on strike. There is no doubt they have got hold of an idea far from the truth with regard to the legislation the Government is imposing upon them. They have an idea that the Government intends to increase the revenue by putting on their poll tax, and by taxing them in various other ways, and I think that the matters were properly explained to the Chairman and his colleagues as to what they could like to get as a grant for the expense of living in this colony we may arrive at some satisfactory settlement. To-day I had a conversation with several of the heads of stores at the docks, and so far as they are concerned they have no grievance, but they are afraid of people in Hongkong, and that, if they continue to work their lives may be in danger. However, there is no doubt that they wish to help the people in Hongkong, but at the same time they do not wish to lose their employment at the docks. I questioned them for as I could to find out what it was they would like the Dock Company to do so that they might not go out on strike. They say they had no grievance; there is nothing they wish to receive from the Company. They are on a different footing from the coolies in Hongkong, as the Lodging House Act does not affect them so much as Kowloon as in Hongkong, and probably they do not feel the position so acutely as the coolies in this place. I would suggest for the consideration of this meeting that a committee be appointed to meet a representative Committee appointed by the Chinese, and see what really what the grievances are. If it cannot be righted, I do not think the Chinese are answerable in this direction.

Captain H. M. Ramsey.—My Chairman, I must ask you at that meeting in the first place to accept my remarks with a certain amount of allowance. I am in an official position, but as this is a public meeting I have taken the opportunity of attending it, because this is a matter in which it might be considered that I think rightly in my opinion that I might have some interest, and I do have some interest in this. I did not happen to be here when the meeting opened, but I happened to be here for the marks that were passed after I came in and the conclusion I came to was that in the opinion of the speaker the Government was at fault. Well, as I commenced by saying, I have no business to be here in any official capacity, and it may be that I shall have to answer to my superiors for having the audacity to address this meeting at all; but I hope that those who are here will understand that I beg them to allow me to address them purely in my unofficial capacity—if I can have such a position in this Colony. (Applause). There is no question that the position of affairs in the colony must be a very grave one, but I think it is hardly fair that this should be brought into the question as to what the idea of the Government is in attempting to enforce the law relating to the licensing of boarding houses. I do not think that has anything to do with the question. We're all agreed fairly well that the coolies have no real grievance. There is something beneath this. My Chairman and gentlemen, I say the men we want to get hold of are the influential Chinese of whom we have heard a good deal, but when the time comes when they come of age, we want to get assistance to the Government, who are they? (Hear, hear, and applause). They should be the Government, and add to that now. Business man in this place know more about the strike than I do, but I would say, make a suggestion to the Government. It may be—with all humility!—say it—that without my knowledge some suggestion has been made, but none has been made of blackmailing—not while I have been here. And if you will permit me to make a suggestion, I would say that any suggestion made should be sent in the direction of importing foreign coolies (applause). By that I mean coolies who could come down here; and why not get 1,000 or 2,000—whatever number might be required—and ask the Government to provide accommodation and protection for them whilst they are down here. I take it, half the number at least that come down here could be taken over from ship to ship to where they have ships constantly to here. They need not go on shore and mix with the coolies on strike; and the remainder might be housed by arrangement under Government protection, and be let out by the Government to re-

quired. I think if a suggestion of that sort were brought forward something would be done; but there is no good in sitting down and saying "Oh, the Government is to blame." (Laughter). You say, "Then the Government's proposition is a reasonable one; and it is plainly meant for the benefit of the coolies themselves. They have attempted to enforce their wishes without troubling the Chinese right. They want to save their face. Now, gentlemen, we must go further. This strike which we are now undergoing is a matter of enormous interest to this Colony. Those who have legislated for us do not grasp the subject. I am perfectly certain these gentlemen—I am not speaking of the unofficial members of the Council—have not grasped the far-reaching concerns that are attacked by the legislation they impose upon the Colony. I do not say they are wrong. I think they are right from a philanthropic point of view to attempt to benefit these men who are huddled and crowded together in their dwellings in a most shameful fashion. It is a right thing to take this action, but it is worse off in its overreaching than it was 20 years ago. I do not want to weaken the hands of the Government, but I want to see how we are going to cope with the difficulty. We are in a crisis now which may shake this colony to its foundations unless it is met. There is only one way of meeting this combination, and that is by combination (applause). Are you prepared to combine against this Chinese combination or are you not? It must not be a half-hearted combination; it must be a combination that you will stick to to-day and throw over to-morrow if it does not suit you. It must permeate the whole colony. Unless you do that you had far better retire from the struggle. (Applause).

Mr. G. B. Dodwell—I am glad to hear what Captain Ramsey has said in our attention to. I think the present trouble can best be met by the Government rather than by me. Mr. Mackintosh's idea of a strong combination to meet a strong combination is the idea that occurs to most of us at first, but I believe it would be better in the interests of all if the Government would be compelled to import labour and for those who are employees of labour to guarantee to take their labour from the Government at certain fixed rates. There might be losses, and if the loss fell on the Colony surely it is the colony that should pay for it and not individuals. Most of us are in the position of being agents only; we are not principals. We are working for other people, and for other people's ships, and very few of us for our own property. Therefore, therefore, the loss, which would otherwise fall on us individually, should really fall on the colony. If we are prevented from working our ships it will be a terrible loss to the Colony. It will certainly affect its welfare. Shipowners will avoid the place, and therefore we must do everything we can to get labour to take the place of the coolies now on strike. There are many places from which labour can be obtained; the great trouble is that it will mean a great deal of delay. We want to act quickly. Time has already been lost. The strike has been on four days now and a great deal of money lost; and it will certainly be a week or ten days before we can obtain relief from any of the other ports. My own opinion is that Japan is the best place to apply to for immediate assistance. I know there are grave difficulties in the way, especially at the present time, but it seems to me to attempt to bring Chinese here would only be putting off the evil day. I will bring Japanese here and in a short time gain sufficient acquaintance with our laws to know that so long as he does not break them we do not interfere with him. But he perhaps does not know that, or for whom he works. Then the Board of Trade would be so far from the intention of the Board. He would then propose the formation of two classes of coolies. One class would be of sufficient to sustain the Board's power to those houses certified as unfit for human habitation, even although cleaned and disinfected. (Applause).

Mr. C. S. Taylor—I have somewhere read a letter was read from the Colonial Secretary stating that the by-laws made by the Board under Section 13 of Ordinance 16 of 1894 had been approved by the Legislative Council with the exception of clause 31. [The clause in question gave the Board power to close houses certified as unfit for human habitation, even about a space as in a grave. (Applause).]

The Director of Public Works said the

senior unofficial member of Council had

pointed out that as it stood now the

general impression would be that the

Board might close houses and keep them

closed for a long length of time, which would

be prejudicial to property. If the by-law

could be so read it was far from the

intention of the Board. He said they

were proposing the formation of two classes

of coolies, one simpleton of such epidemic

or for such less skilled, etc. The senior

unofficial member said that would quite

meet the difficulty he had pointed out, and

personally he (Mr. Taylor) did not see any

objection to it. (Applause).

Mr. H. K. K. recurred.

Mr. Francis said he did not think the by-law would be sufficient with the proposed amendment and he suggested the addition of the words "But in no case shall such pre-

mise be recovered until they comply with the provisions of the Ordinances and by-laws made thereunder."

This suggestion was accepted by the Director of Public Works, and the motion for the amendment of the by-laws was put and carried.

Mr. Francis moved that application be

made to the Government to have the by-

laws translated into Chinese and widely

circulated.

Mr. Hartigan seconded.

Carried.

IMPERMEABLE FLOORING.

The Director of Public Works said a great

many applications had been received by his

department for concreting floors. On

the recommendation of the Sanitary Board for his information, and he would like to know if any steps were being taken for exercising supervision over the work.

The Chairman said this matter had received his attention. There was as yet no provision for supervision and he would move that the Board do apply to the Government for the services of some non-commissioned officers of the Royal Engineers to do this work. If they could get such men they would suit the purpose. They had many of them working under the Permanent Commission during the plague. Without some extra assistance he did not see how the work could be carried out.

Mr. Francis seconded.

The motion was carried, and it was decided that the number of men to be applied for should be three.

HEALTH OFFICER OR SANITARY SUPERINTENDENT.

Some discussion took place with reference to a letter received from the Colonial Secre-

tary in reply to the recommendation of the Board that the offices of Secretary of the Board and Sanitary Superintendent should be separated and a new appointment made for the latter office. The Colonial Secretary's letter made mention of the prospective appointment of an Officer of Health.

It was officially decided that the Govern-

ment should be interested in if the Health

Officer was going to be appointed a chief in-

spector of nuisances with an extra inspec-

tor to the head of the colony the various

operations of the law. They were filled

with all manner of inconsistencies, as Mr. Gillies has mentioned. They said they were to be fined and poll taxed. They were shown that their fears were illusory. Over 3000 placards were printed and circu-

lated amongst them six months ago to ex-

plain how matters stood. In my own case I have had before me, the heads of the dif-

ferent departments, representing those

upon three thousand men. They com-

municated with me as they did with the Re-

gistrar General. There was this, that the

Chinese had been sent down to him to be

questioned as to what the Chinese were doing

in Hongkong. (Applause).

The Chairman said he would suggest as a

practical measure that a Committee of five

or seven gentlemen be elected by the

meeting to deliberate upon this grave ques-

tion and to put themselves in communica-

tion with the Government.

Mr. Fenwick—I beg in regard to that.

The following Committee was thereupon

appointed:—Hon. J. J. Keawin, Messrs.

Mackintosh, D. G. D. G. N. A. Siebs, G. D.

Dodwell, R. L. Denny, and St. O. Michaelson.

The Chairman said they had told Messrs.

Matheson, Matheson & Co. to remove the

squatters and that they were at liberty to

do so when they were at liberty to do so.

The suggestion has been made, but none has

been made of blackmailing—not while I have

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make a suggestion, I would say that any

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tion of importing foreign coolies (applause).

By that I mean coolies who could come

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go on shore and mix with the coolies on strike;

and the remainder might be housed by ar-

rangement under Government protection,

and be let out by the Government to re-

quire.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman, pro-

posed by Mr. Mackintosh, concluded

the proceedings.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon. There were present: Mr. F. H. May, Captain Superintendent of Police, in the chair; Hon. P. A. Cooper, Director of Public Works; Dr. P. E. C. Ayres, Colonial Surgeon; Hon. Ho Kai, Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C., Dr. Hartigan, Mr. R. K. Leigh, and Mr. H. McCalum.

THE DRAINAGE.

The Director of Public Works moved a series of resolutions regulating the duties of the Assistant Sanitary Surveyor and doctored with certain matters of detail in connection with drainage.

THE LABOUR CRISIS.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1895.

Sir—It is evident from the shape of affairs as taking, that the strike of labourers in the Colony did not continue for some time, and the strikers do not seem to lack in funds to prosecute with it. We all know that the source of the trouble originated with the "headmen" of heaven and earth to frustrate the sanitary regulations recently promulgated, specially to deal with the common lodging houses.

The "headmen" look with dismay at the heavy loss they would sustain, by restricting the number of coolies to 2 cubic feet per man, seems to them something exorbitant, to people who have been accustomed their life long to live and move about in a space as in a grave. (Applause).

Some good remarks were made at yesterday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce respecting the proposed by-laws made by the Board under Section 13 of Ordinance 16 of 1894 had been approved by the Legislative Council with the exception of clause 31. [The clause in question gave the Board power to close houses certified as unfit for human habitation, even about a space as in a grave. (Applause).]

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